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For: AN ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING AN INSERT PROVIDING FOR IMPROVED FLUID DISTRIBUTION

Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time

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Sir:

An Office Action which, on its face, granted a three (3) month period of time in which to respond thereto was mailed on September 23, 2003, with respect to the above-identified presently pending application. Accordingly, the shortened statutory period for response was set to end on December 23, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a two (2) month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Thus, the period of response is to be extended until February 23, 2004.

Please charge the $420.00 fee for this extension of time designated by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875. This extension request is submitted in duplicate.

The undersigned may be reached at: 770-587-8620.

Respectfully submitted,

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